

Psychologist

Department: MH/MR/SA **EEO Code:** 22

Class Code: 4414 FLSA: E

Effective: 01/07/1993

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES:

Under general direction; performs work of considerable difficulty in diagnosing and evaluating individuals with mental illness and administering programs of treatment; and performs other work as required.

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OF DUTIES:

Interviews consumers and studies medical and social case histories; observes consumer in play or other situations and selects, administers and interprets intelligence, achievement, interest, personality and other psychological tests to diagnose and formulate plans of treatment; provides direct clinical services to consumers; provides case management services; provides clinical supervision, training and consultation to interns and other staff; performs court-ordered forensic evaluations of individuals charged with crimes; provides consultation to local judges and attorneys; provides mental health services at jail to include suicide assessment, crises and behavioral management, staff training and direct services; provides critical incident stress debriefing services to County public safety personnel, prepares various reports; and performs other work as required.

REQUIRED SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

Considerable knowledge of personality theory; knowledge of a broad range of psychotherapeutic theories and techniques; of community resources; ethical guidelines for the practice of psychology; of psychological testing and assessment.

Considerable skills in clinical supervision; skills in interviewing effectively and establishing a positive therapeutic alliance; skills in documenting services provided and consumer's progress; in communicating both orally and in writing; and good organizational skills.

Considerable ability to adapt to adverse situations.

MINIMUM EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Doctorate degree in psychology and three years of related professional experience.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Must be licensed or license eligible in the State of Virginia.

This class specification is not intended to describe and does not necessarily list the essential job functions for a given position in a classification.